Montana Historical Society Research Center Program		
Measurable Objectives for the 2017 Biennium		
Goal	Measurable Objectives	Current status of Measures*
To develop and improve the nation's most comprehensive collection of research materials related to the history of Montana and the West	Acquire published materials for the Library collection. Acquire unpublished materials and oral histories for the Archives collection. Acquire historic photographs for the Photograph Archives collection.	 Library acquired 627 new items. Archives acquired 348 linear feet of materials and 23 oral histories. Photograph Archives acquired 4,842 images.
To assist the public in the use of the collections.	 Assist patrons remotely (letters, email, and telephone) with requests for information. Assist patrons in person with requests for information. Provide patrons with reproductions of materials in the collection. Provide access to select materials remotely via interlibrary loan. 	 Assisted 7,495 patrons with remote requests. Assisted 3,943 patrons in person. Provided patrons with reproductions of 6,623 items in the collections. Loaned 141 reels of microfilm to other libraries through interlibrary loan.
To make the collections accessible and useful to the public.	Add records for all new acquisitions to the Montana Shared Catalog. Add finding aids for processed archival collections to the Northwest Digital Archives online database. Organize and catalog Archives and Photograph Archives collections to make them more accessible. Make collections accessible online via the Montana Memory.	 Added 3,887 records to the Montana Shared Catalog. Added 100 collection guide for archival collections to the Northwest Digital Archives. Organized and cataloged 76.3 linear feet of archival collections and 4,944 images. Added 330,322 images to the Montana Memory Project.

^{*}The figures for the current status of measures are based on FY2014 statistics.